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7th WORLD WATER FORUM AT A GLANCE

46,000 ENTRIES

FROM 168 COUNTRIES

10 WORLD LEADERS

80 GOVERNMENT MINISTERS at the Ministerial Conference

71 PARLIAMENTARIANS

95 LOCAL AND REGIONAL AUTHORITIES

400 SESSIONS & EVENTS

900 JOURNALISTS FROM FIVE CONTINENTS

RECORD ATTENDANCE FOR THE MINISTRIAL PROCESS

Ministerial Declaration, a full set of recommendations from the international water community

- ➤ More than **100 ministerial delegations** participated in the Forum
- **▶ Dedicated water goal and water-related targets** in the **Post-2015 Development Agenda**
- >7th World Water Forum's contribution in supporting their implementation
- Importance of science and technology's role in moving from the identification of solutions for water-related challenges towards their implementation



COUNTRIES SIGN HISTORICAL AGREEMENTS

Political Agreements

More than 20 MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING, 50 BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL MEETINGS

"International water cooperation"



Historic step

China & Japan & Korea

"Strengthening the core role of water in sustainable development" & "more financial investment to the water sector"

US & Mexico

"Colorado River Management"

PARLIAMENTARIANS' COMMITMENTS TO ACT FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Parliamentarian Conference

Legislative solutions for sustainable water management by gathering 71 parliamentarians from 27 countries

Parliamentarian Statement

Prioritizing water security in terms of sustainable economic development, allocation of financial resources and streamlining budget execution efficiency

NEW TOOLS FOR LOCAL AND REGIONAL AUTHORITIES

Local and Regional Authorities (LRAs) Process

95 Local & Regional Authorities from 26 countries

Daegu-Gyeongbuk Water Action for Sustainable Cities and Regions

➤ Concrete tools to guide LRAs in the implementation of sustainable water management strategies at the local level

Highlights

Importance of local authorities' roles in implementing and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and how best to deliver their share of responsibilities in the most effective and efficient way



DAEGU-GYEONGBUK IMPLEMENTATION COMMITMENT ON WATER

20 Champions for the Daegu & Gyeongbuk Implementation Commitment(DGIC)

To assemble the major goals for action within each of the Forum's 16 thematic areas with the intention of supporting and monitoring progress in those areas over the next three years.

"Implementation Roadmaps"
"Action Monitoring System"

Guide collective action and keep track of progress in a public arena.

"Water Showcase"

Exchange practical experiences, knowledge, information and policies through sharing actual cases with successful outcomes and instructive lessons

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS AND BEYOND



"The need to maintain momentum for a dedicated Sustainable Development Goal for water"

- > A High-Level Panel on the role of water in the post-2015 development agenda
- ➤ How to ensure the inclusion of water-related Goals and Targets in the SDG framework, but also what elements are necessary for their successful implementation and monitoring in the coming 15 years.

CONNECTING TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS WITH WATER CHALLENGES

Science and Technology Process(STP)

- Focused on the implementation of scientific and technological innovations in water management
- > Aimed at bridging the scientific and technological gap between developed and developing countries

STP White Paper

- Identify the current status of water-related scientific and technological methods
- Provide **future directions** for **innovation** in each of the five sectors

CEO Innovation Panels

Interaction between CEOs of water-related enterprises, high-level government officials, water experts, academia, and NGOs.





INTER-REGIONAL SESSIONS GENERATE DIALOGUE BETWEEN CONTINENTS AND PROCESSES

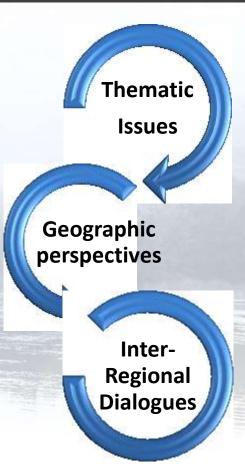
Successful new set of inter-regional dialogues

➤ Discussion on common thematic issues from different geographic perspectives

"Collaborative discussions"

"Cross-cutting concluding sessions"

Participants gained a broader understanding of how to deal with similar challenges in different contexts.



PRIZES RECOGNIZE DEVELOPMENT AND WATER SOLUTIONS





King Hassan II Great World Water Prizeby the Kingdom of Morocco, World Water Council

Kyoto World Water Grand Prizeby the Japan Water Forum, the World Water
Council

Mexico World Water Prize by the Government of Mexico

by Gyeongsangbuk-do Province and
Dae-gu Metropolitan city
(Winners of the Water Showcase and
The World Water Challenge)





World Water Partnership

Introduction

- As a follow up step for the 7th World Water Forum, it would be necessary for the previous host countries to discuss future collaborative actions and plans, in preparation for the next World Water Forum.
- The cooperative network, namely World Water Partnership (WWP) has been proposed by the Korean government among World Water Forum hosting countries especially for those responsible organizations for the follow up activities of the forum.

Context

- WWP will act as a healthy supporter group for the success of the World Water Forum by providing insightful experience of its own World Water Forum.
- The outcome and solution from the previous fora will be monitored by the WWP member organization to link up with the next edition of forum.
- Collaborative research and project on global water challenge would be developed among the member organizations.
- WWP will contribute toward solving the global water issues.

Asian Water Council

Launching



< 15th of April, Gyeongju >

Thank you!

